

select surplus and/or displaced employees from within a particular component of the agency before selecting surplus and/or displaced employees from another component of the agency).

(c) An agency cannot select any other candidate from within or outside the agency if eligible employees are available for the vacancy or vacancies.

(d) If two or more eligible employees apply for a vacancy and are determined to be well-qualified, any of these eligible employees may be selected.

(e) If no eligible employees apply or none is deemed well-qualified, the agency may select another agency employee without regard to this subpart.

§ 330.609 Qualification reviews.

Agencies will ensure that a documented, independent second review is conducted whenever an otherwise eligible employee is determined to be not well-qualified. The applicant must be advised in writing of the results of the second review.

§ 330.610 [Reserved]

§ 330.611 Oversight.

OPM provides advice and assistance to agencies in implementing their Career Transition Assistance Programs. OPM is also responsible for oversight of agency CTAPs and may conduct reviews of the plans at any time.

Subpart G—Interagency Career Transition Assistance Plan for Displaced Employees

AUTHORITY: Presidential memorandum dated September 12, 1995, entitled “Career Transition Assistance for Federal Employees”.

SOURCE: 62 FR 31323, June 9, 1997, unless otherwise noted.

§ 330.701 Purpose.

(a) This subpart implements the President’s memorandum of September 12, 1995, to establish a special interagency career transition assistance program for Federal employees during a period of severe Federal downsizing.

(b) This subpart is effective July 9, 1997.

(c) The provisions of the Reemployment Priority List (RPL) set forth in

subpart B of this part will remain in effect during the period of severe Federal downsizing. When an agency considers candidates from outside the agency for vacancies, registrants in an agency’s RPL have priority for selection over employees eligible under this subpart in accordance with § 330.705.

(d) This subpart applies only when agencies are making selections from outside their workforce, and does not prohibit movement within an agency, as permitted by subpart F of this part.

§ 330.702 [Reserved]

§ 330.703 Definitions.

For the purposes of this subpart:

(a) *Agency* has the meaning given in § 330.604(a).

(b) *Displaced employee* means:

(1) A current career or career-conditional competitive service employee, in tenure group 1 or 2, at grade levels GS-15 or equivalent and below, who has received a specific RIF separation notice, or a notice of proposed removal for declining a directed reassignment or transfer of function outside of the local commuting area;

(2) A former career or career-conditional competitive service employee, in tenure group 1 or 2, at grade levels GS-15 or equivalent and below, who was separated through reduction in force, or removed for declining a directed reassignment or transfer of function outside of the local commuting area;

(3) A former career or career-conditional employee who was separated because of a compensable injury or illness as provided under the provisions of subchapter I of chapter 81 of title 5, United States Code, whose compensation has been terminated and whose former agency is unable to place the individual as required by § 353.110(b) of this chapter;

(4) A former career or career-conditional competitive service employee, in tenure group 1 or 2, who retired with a disability under sections 8337 or 8451 of title 5, United States Code, whose disability annuity has been or is being terminated;

(5) A former career or career-conditional competitive service employee, in tenure group 1 or 2, at grades GS-15